

DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND AGRICULTURE.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

No. G. 1751-61—G. M. 152-14-1, DATED BANGALORE, THE 18TH AUGUST 1914.

ORDER.—The experience of the past three years has shown that, in order to attain the objects of the Economic Conference more fully, it is desirable to appoint a full time officer in each district to study and investigate local conditions and organize economic activities in the district. The work of the District Committees will in this way be brought into closer touch with the activities of the Central Committees. The proposal was considered at a meeting of Heads of Departments and Deputy Commissioners, held at Mysore in June last, and elicited a considerable amount of opinion in its favour. The Government of His Highness the Maharaja are therefore pleased to sanction, as a tentative measure, for a period of two years for the present, the appointment of eight officers, one for each district, to assist the Deputy Commissioners in stimulating and systematizing Conference work. These officers will be designated District Superintendents, A. E. & I. (*i.e.*, Agriculture, Education and Industries and Commerce).

2. The officers will work directly under the Deputy Commissioners of the districts, and will serve as their personal assistants for Economic Conference work. They will have no authority over the Amildars who will, however, be expected to co-operate with, and render them every assistance in the discharge of their duties. The District Superintendent will be an additional *ex-officio* member of the District Committee and his principal duties will include the following:—

- (1) He should study the economic condition and needs of the district, collect information and correct statistics.

The compilation of correct statistics with the help of the departments concerned will be one of his principal duties during the current official year.

- (2) He should attend meetings of the District Committee and help that Committee with information collected from various sources.
- (3) He should keep close touch with the Secretaries of the Central Committees of the Economic Conference and the progress of Conference work generally in the whole State.
- (4) He should explain the aims and objects of the Economic Conference and of the corresponding departments of Government to the people and help them to get a clear idea of their more important wants under Education, Agriculture and Industries and Trade, and in devising measures to meet such wants with the help of the Committees and the Departments concerned.
- (5) He should travel in the district frequently, come into contact with all people likely to take an active part in the progress of education, agriculture, industries and trade, and organise developments in all these directions.
- (6) He should endeavour to rouse the enthusiasm of the people, prepare them for the initiation of measures and schemes by the departments of Education, Agriculture and Industries and obtain the help of experts through the departments concerned, wherever the local people may want them.
- (7) He should guide the work of Village Committees and Taluk Progress Committees on right lines by attending the Committee meetings whenever convenient and by suggestions in other ways.

3. Four of these Superintendents will be selected from among qualified non-official gentlemen and the other four from the list of Amildars. The pay of these officers will be fixed at Rs. 200 or Rs. 250 per mensem as the case may be. They will draw halting and mileage allowances at the following rates:—

Daily allowance Rs. 3.

Mileage annas 6.

Railway fare double second class.

An establishment consisting of one clerk on Rs. 25 and two peons on Rs. 8 and Rs. 7, respectively, will be allowed to each of them.

4. These officers will be required to visit the Bangalore City for a week once in two months, to meet the Secretary to the Conference and the Secretaries to the Central Committees and receive instructions from them as to the manner in which they should employ themselves most usefully in advancing the work of the Conference in their respective districts. At these meetings the experience of the different districts may be compared, local wants and difficulties may be brought to notice, the aims and work of the Central and District Committees in regard to each important subject made clear and suggestions discussed for the development of economic work. In this way both the local and central organizations will be able to work in complete harmony and with a full knowledge of the objects and correct methods to be followed.

5. From the date of this order, one of the two Secretaries appointed under the Government Order dated 29th August 1913, will cease to hold that office and the work of the District Committees will be attended to by one Secretary, official or non-official, as the Deputy Commissioner and President of the District Committee may determine. He will continue to draw the carriage allowance sanctioned in Government Order No. G. 1958-67—G. M. 55-12-237, dated 29th August 1913. It will, however be open to the District Committee to appoint, in addition, one or more persons, whether, official or non-official, who may be willing to undertake the duties of Secretary in an honorary capacity, to attend to the work of Sub-Committees or any specified portion of the work of the District Committee.

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The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
The Comptroller to Government.